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In re application of: Bruce A. Hotton

Entitled: FUEL-FIRED WATER HEATER WITH DUAL FUNCTION  
COMBUSTION CUTOFF SWITCH IN ITS DRAFT STRUCTURE

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**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

4,672,919	4,867,106	4,951,651	5,158,446
5,199,385	5,280,802	5,697,330	5,797,358
6,412,447	6,497,200	Re. 37,745	Re. 34,534

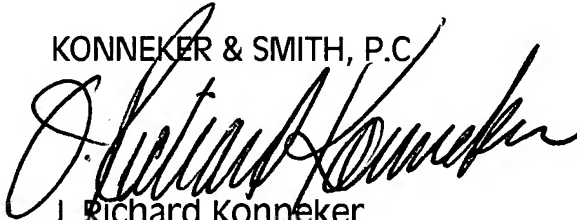
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